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Tollett to Serve as Vice Chair

Atlanta: Eldrin Bell, Chairman of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners, has been elected to serve as the Chairman of the Transit Planning Board (TPB) for 2007. The TPB's first Chairman, Bell was originally elected to the position in March of this year.

Douglas J. Tollett, President of American Resurgens Management Corp., was elected to serve as Vice Chairman of the TPB board. He succeeds Mike Byrd, Chairman of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners, the TPB's first Vice Chairman.

"I thank my fellow board members for this honor and their vote of confidence," said Bell. "Because of our work at the TPB, cooperation and coordination among our region's transit providers is increasing. This benefits everyone in the region. Working together we can save money, increase efficiency, and provide a more seamless transit experience for everyone using transit in metropolitan Atlanta."

"There are many challenges facing us and I look forward to helping lead the TPB in conquering those challenges," said Tollett.

The Transit Planning Board consists of 18 members including the County Commission Chairs of Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Douglas, Fayette, Henry and Rockdale Counties, the CEO of DeKalb County, the Mayor of Atlanta, three gubernatorial appointees, the GRTA Board Chair, the GDOT Board Chair, the MARTA Board Chair and the MARTA General Manager. The Board's work focuses on improving transit service through regional cooperation.

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